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Cannon Subcommittee Hearing Tuesday on Improving and Streamlining Federal Regulations

What: Oversight Hearing on the Administrative Law, Process and Procedure Project for the 21st Century
Who: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law - Rep. Chris Cannon (R-Utah), Chairman
When: 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 14, 2006
Where: 2141 Rayburn Building

Federal agencies issue over 4000 regulations every year, impacting nearly every aspect of our lives. In September 2005, the Office of Advocacy for the Small Business Administration issued a report estimating that the annual cost to comply with federal regulations in the United States in 2004 exceeded \$1.1 trillion. It reported, "Had every household received a bill for an equal share, each would have owed \$10,172, an amount that exceeds what the average American household spent on health care in 2004 (slightly under \$9,000)."

BACKGROUND...

- ✓ The Administrative Law, Process and Procedure Project for the 21st Century is a House Judiciary Committee initiative involving a nonpartisan, academically credible analysis of administrative law, process and procedure. The Project will culminate with the preparation of a detailed report with recommendations for legislative proposals and suggested areas for further research and analysis to be considered by the Administrative Conference of the United States (ACUS).

THIS HEARING WILL...

- ⇒ Hear testimony by the non-partisan Congressional Research Service (CRS) regarding the results of the Project, including the report's recommendation for legislative reform and suggested areas for further research and analysis to be considered by ACUS.

WITNESSES: **Mort Rosenberg**, Specialist in American Public Law (CRS); **Curtis Copeland**, Specialist in American National Government (CRS); **T.J. Halstead**, Legislative Attorney (CRS).

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